Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Science and education offer the greatest hope for the future of all South Dakotans; and,

Whereas, Dr. Fred A. Cholick has led efforts to help prepare South Dakota State University (SDSU) and South Dakota agriculture for a future filled with opportunity, and now will continue his career at Kansas State University; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick has served the state of South Dakota and South Dakota State University for 22 years in many capacities, including Dean of Agriculture and Biological Sciences; Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, Plant Science Department Head, and Project Leader of the Spring Wheat Breeding/Genetics program; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick's leadership has resulted in numerous advancements that will have a lasting impact on future generations; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick developed an enhanced cooperative relationship with other colleges within the SDSU campus, with state and federal agencies, constituent groups, and other institutions regionally, nationally, and internationally; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick led efforts to fully integrate the teaching, research, extension and technical service missions of the SDSU College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, resulting in increased legislative and client support of the institution; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick developed and implemented the CES Vision for 21st Century for the Cooperative Extension Service, which was endorsed by many groups, including the South Dakota Board of Regents and the South Dakota Joint Appropriations Committee; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick is a nationally recognized leader of many land grant organizations. His efforts help shape national policy and legislation, and assure visionary leadership for the land grant system; and,

Whereas, Dr. Cholick has worked extensively in Europe, Asia, Africa and South America to develop education and agricultural opportunities; and despite his numerous accomplishments and positions of leadership, Dr. Cholick's greatest characteristic is his openness and genuine willingness to work hard for the people of South Dakota:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 23, 2004, as

DR. FRED A. CHOLICK DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State